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In the Claims

The claims have been amended as follows:

- 1 22. (Amended) The disk drive of claim 20 wherein the pitch static attitude is
2 **approximately** ~~between negative one-half degree and~~ negative two degrees.

- 1 34. (Amended) The disk drive of claim 31 wherein the pitch static attitude is
2 **approximately** ~~between negative one-half degree and~~ negative two degrees.

REMARKS

Claims 1-40 are pending. In this Response, claims 23 and 34 have been amended.

I. CLAIM OBJECTIONS

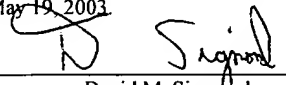
Claims 22 and 34 are objected to as being substantial duplicates of claims 21 and 33, respectively. Accordingly, claims 23 and 34 have been amended to recite "the pitch static attitude is approximately negative two degrees" to place the case in better condition for appeal. No new matter has been added. Furthermore, no new issues have been raised, and no further searching is necessary since claims 4, 11 and 17 recite these limitations.

II. INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

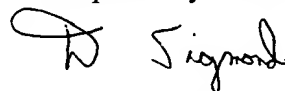
An Information Disclosure Statement with an accompanying PTO-1449 and the cited references was filed on January 15, 2003, and the return postcard date stamped January 21, 2003 establishing receipt of same by the Patent Office was returned. However, the outstanding Office Action fails to acknowledge the Information Disclosure Statement or attach a copy of the PTO-1449.

Copies of the Information Disclosure Statement and return postcard are attached hereto.

Applicant requests that a copy of the PTO-1449 indicating that the cited references have been considered be attached to the next written communication to Applicant.

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